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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Hideaki AKIZUKI
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For : FIXING MEMBER FOR FIXING AN OBJECT TO
BE ATTACHED TO A PLATE AND CLAMP WITH
THE FIXING MEMBER
Group Art Unit : 3677
Examiner : Ko Hung CHAN
Docket : ADACHI P217USD1

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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

[XX] NO FEES ARE PAYABLE WITH RESPECT TO THIS RESPONSE.

In response to the official action mailed October 15, 2004, please enter the following
before reconsideration of this application.

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 18, 20 and 24 as follows in which the claim additions are shown
by underlining and/or the claim deletions are shown by strikeout or brackets. Please enter the
amended claims into the record of this case.